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BMV announces Labor Day hours

All Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle (BMV) branches are closed from Saturday, Sept. 4 through Monday, Sept. 6 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Branches resume regularly scheduled business hours Tuesday, Sept. 7. For more information, visit IN.gov/BMV.

Second Harvest to hold tailgate food distributions

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana has planned tailgate food distributions for 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 Indiana 15; and noon Wednesday, Sept. 8 at Manchester Church of the Brethren, 1306 Beckley St., North Manchester. For more information, visit www.curehunger.org, classy.org/campaign/hunger-action-month/c299182 or https://www.givepulse.com/group/203410.

Salamonie Preschool offers 'S is for Sun' on Wednesday, Sept. 8

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "S is for Sun" on Wednesday, Sept. 8. Children ages 2 to 5 and their adults are welcome to attend the class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Salamonie Interpretive Center, located in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 S. New Holland Road, Andrews.

The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated by calling 260-468-2127. For more information, visit on.in.gov/Salamonie lake or facebook.com/upperwabash.

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Local COVID-19 advisory level approaching red

Executive order allows schools with mask mandates to forgo asymptomatic quarantines

By ROB BURGESS  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Wednesday, the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) updated their weekly dashboard showing Wabash County, like most of the rest of the state, as being in the orange, or second-highest, level.

However, that designation

may soon turn to red, the highest level, if the current trend of increased cases continues.

During last week's update, Wabash County's COVID-19 spread was showing as being 2 out of a possible 3. That figure now sits at 2.5. Once the local rate reaches 3, it moves into the red category.

The last time Wabash County's local rates of transmission were this high was in February.

On Friday, the ISDH reported 44 new local COVID-19 cases, bringing Wabash County's total to 4,446, with 17,615 tests. The local seven-day positivity rating for all tests was 13.4 percent. The local sev-

en-day positivity rating for unique individuals was 26.4 percent.

A total of 86 local COVID-19 deaths have been recorded since the start of the pandemic.

During a televised press conference Wednesday morning, Holcomb flatly

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Volunteer workdays at Salamonie



Photo by Rob Burgess / Plain Dealer

Tony Lara, left, and Joe Gehlhausen, right, clear trails.

The final date of the season is set for Saturday, Sept. 25

By ROB BURGESS  
Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On a recent Monday morning, Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center intern Tony Lara was walking along one of the trails, with tools in hand.

Lara said he works at Salamonie on the weekends and has the chance to spend his summers here while finishing a University of Florida degree, with a

major in business administration and a minor in geology.

"There's a little bit of nature in there I was able to squeeze in an internship here at the nature center here," said Lara. "I really like being outside."

Lara said he was volunteering that morning with Joe Gehlhausen who "comes out here pretty regularly when there are volunteer days."

"We are clearing the trail," said Lara. "This is the wildlife management trail. A lot of times you give it just a couple weeks, the branches and the bushes will grow into the trail. We don't want the kiddos getting hit with thorns as they're walking through. So, it's just basic maintenance."

The two were out in the woods that day for one of the monthly volunteer

workdays held this year at the property.

"I'm usually about done after four or five hours. I'm way past eight-hour days," said Gehlhausen.

The volunteer workdays began this year in April during National Volunteer Week and have been continuing monthly ever since, said interpretive naturalist Lynnanne Dennison-Fager.

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Manchester names Rolle director of student diversity and inclusion

2014 alumnus leads Office of Multicultural Affairs, Jean Childs Young Intercultural Center

By ANNE GREGORY

A 2014 graduate of Manchester University has been promoted to director of student diversity and inclusion.

Rudy Rolle will spearhead efforts to promote a diverse and vibrant community by raising awareness, fostering cross-cultural exchange and encouraging a global perspective on education. His job includes assisting in recruiting and retaining students of color and international students.

"His personal experience of the student lifecycle – from enrollment and through all facets of the MU education to graduation – makes him an ideal person to serve this



Provided photo

Rudy Rolle is the new director of student diversity and inclusion at Manchester University.

role," said Abby Van Vlerah, vice president of student life.

Rolle graduated from Manchester with a bachelor's degree in business management. He remained at his alma mater as an admissions counselor, was promoted to assistant director of admis-

sions, and then was named assistant registrar in 2017.

"The biggest thing I hope to do for our students is to help build an environment where they feel supported and welcome, both on campus and in the community, so that they can really succeed and thrive and become their best selves," Rolle said "That is what I found during my time at MU and I had a great support system while I was here to help foster that growth. I would like to provide the same for our students now."

"I am so grateful for this position and that the University, my colleagues, and our students have given me the opportunity to help educate our students on diversity, equity, and inclusion," he said.

He will manage the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Jean Childs Young

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Manchester custodial staff wins Garber award

This is the sixth year for the award, named for Chris Garber, who oversaw the Physical Plant

By ANNE GREGORY

After an unprecedented year, Manchester University took the unprecedented step of naming the entire custodial staff as this year's recipient of the Christopher W. Garber Staff Member of the Year Award.

"This is an individual award, and it will continue to be in the future. But the selection committee wholeheartedly agreed that, in this of all years, we should make an exception," said President Dave McFadden. "You are our heroes," he said after presenting the award to the staff in an outdoor ceremony, a sentiment

echoed by an extended standing ovation by faculty and staff.

"Our custodial staff deserves our gratitude and recognition every day, every year. But we would be remiss if we did not thank them – profoundly and wholeheartedly – for their service and dedication for these past 17 months," McFadden said.

The award recognizes a staff member who demonstrates a commitment every day to Manchester. It is given for providing excellent customer service while leading peers and collaborating across departments. The recipient is reliable, respected by co-workers and loyal to the University. This person is a problem-solver with a positive attitude who encourages other staff members along the way.

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Sept. 11 anniversary prayer services planned

Morning vigil set for Wabash City Park; other times available throughout day

By ROB BURGESS

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

The 20th anniversary of 9/11 is a week away and Common Ground Prayer Ministry has planned an "urgent prayer gathering to pray for the current state of our country," said organizer Angela Penix.

The first event is scheduled to last from 7:14 to 9:11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 11 at the Wabash City Park Large Pavilion.

Penix said Pastor Terry Hinds has been encouraging Wabash County to pray at a 7:14 time daily since the National Day of Prayer "so that why this start time is suggested."

"We feel it is important for the community to gather in prayer because we are concerned about what is happening in America right now, for our military and their families, especially those in Afghanistan, concerned about the political division, for communities affected by the natural disasters and fire," said Penix. "A lot to pray about."

Penix said there will also be a prayer vigil beginning following the morning prayer event at approximately 9:30 a.m. and concludes at 9:11 p.m. at Common Ground Prayer House, 78 W. Hill St.

"We invite people from the community to sign up for a prayer time," said Penix. "We suggest 30-minute or 60-minute prayer slots. Bring a friend or small group or come as an individual to pray."

Penix said from noon to 1 p.m. each Thursday at Common Ground Prayer Ministry they have an open time "to focus prayer on our nation."

Penix said their other current times open to praying with the community are 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, when they are open for people to come there for prayer, as they have two or more people there to pray with them.

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The final date scheduled for this year begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 25. Check-in and instructions are available at the Interpretive and Nature Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. “Dress for the weather and Mother Nature’s surprises: wear suitable clothing, boots or shoes, sunscreen,

hats and bug spray,” said Dennison-Fager. “Most tools (will be) provided. If you have a favorite pair of hand tools, feel free to use your own. No chainsaws.” Dennison-Fager said in compliance with the Back on Track Indiana plan, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) social distancing guidelines and use of face coverings if indoors or closer than 6 feet will be practiced.

“Volunteer activities will include but are not limited to gardening, trail maintenance, pond clean up, invasive species removal, with other options available to suit your special needs and desires,” said Dennison-Fager. Call 260-468-2127 in advance to discuss personal preferences. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at [rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com](mailto:rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com).

PULSE

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Wabash Rotary Club announces benefit golf outing

Wabash Rotary Club continues its tradition of kicking off the Wabash County United Fund (WCUF) campaign with a benefit golf outing on Wednesday, Sept. 8. The golf outing will begin with lunch at noon hosted by Miller’s Merry Manor with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. at the Honeywell Golf Course. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the WCUF, which in turn will be invested back into the community through financial support to local non-profit agency programs. Representatives from each of the funded agencies will be located throughout the golf course to meet and greet the golfers as they play through. For more information, call 260-563-6726 or email [steve.johnson@wcunitedfund.org](mailto:steve.johnson@wcunitedfund.org).

Salamonie Senior Luncheon set for Monday, Sept. 13

The monthly Salamonie Senior Luncheon will be held at noon Monday, Sept. 13, at the Salamonie Lake Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews. Anyone age 50 or older is welcome to attend. Join Jody Heaston, volunteer coordinator for the Indiana Department of Natural Resources State Parks division. She will be sharing

information about the many uses of milkweed plants. The program begins with a carry-in meal at noon. Guests should bring a side dish to share, a beverage and their table service. The main dish of baked spaghetti is provided by Friends of the Upper Wabash Interpretive Services. A \$1 donation will be accepted to help defray costs. Seating is limited. Reservations may be made by calling 260-468-2127.

Salamonie Forest Preschool to begin in September

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Forest Preschool from September 2021 through May 2022 for one Tuesday a month or two Tuesdays a month from 9 a.m. to noon at Salamonie Interpretive Center, 3691 New Holland Road, Andrews, in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area. Classes for the once a month option will be held Tuesdays including Sept. 14. Classes for the second meeting time each month will also be held Tuesdays including Sept. 28. The program fee for the package of nine once-a-month sessions is \$60 per child ages 3 to 5. Additional siblings are \$35. The program fee for the package of 18 twice a month sessions is \$100 per child, and additional siblings are \$75. Advance registration is required. Register by calling 260-468-2127. For more information, visit [dnr.IN.gov/uwis](http://dnr.IN.gov/uwis) or [facebook.com/upperwabash](https://facebook.com/upperwabash).



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Custodial members, from left are Erin Allison, Kasey Pennington, Kody Shoemaker, Tanya Hartsock, Amy Hendrix, Heidi Fairchild, Oksana Carter, Megan Flinn, Missy Barrus, Dora Beck, Brandon Giddens, Amy Lloyd and Joel Murray.

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When many people were able to go home for the lockdown in the spring of 2020, the custodial crew didn’t have that luxury. They continued to show up every day to clean for the students and colleagues who remained on the university’s North Manchester and Fort Wayne campuses. “Like the rest of us, they had families they worried about, children who needed care or supervision with online school, loved ones whose jobs were suddenly less secure,” said McFadden. “Some custodial staff self-quarantined after working their shift because they were afraid they would expose their families at home

to the virus. Others worked every day on campus and also were caregivers to elderly family members. Life didn’t get any easier for them when students returned last fall. The custodial staff worked in pods – or small groups – for the entire year. The idea being that each pod would avoid close contact with other pods, and we could avoid having the entire department in quarantine at the same time. Even that arrangement was challenging. There were times when up to six members of a team were in quarantine. The rest of the team quickly adjusted their schedules and picked up the pieces.” They worked extra hours. Residence hall and dining hall bathrooms needed to be cleaned twice a day, seven

days a week. All custodians took turns working weekends, usually in teams of two to four. In addition to staggered shifts, some worked split shifts to ensure there was staff to work at dinnertime. The custodial staff was responsible for cleaning the student isolation and quarantine rooms, the bathrooms, and making sure rooms were ready for the next students in quarantine or isolation. When a student tested positive for COVID-19, custodians cleaned the restrooms in the hall where the student lived wearing PPE – personal protective equipment – including full-body gowns and face shields. “Their tasks were more difficult than we might imagine,” McFadden said. “They

cleaned classrooms between every class, while still maintaining their regular duties. Cleaning bathrooms and stairwells while wearing masks was physically difficult. Because our dining services used disposables for the entire year, there was a huge increase in the volume of trash in all of our buildings. Sometimes, their hands and arms would ache from constantly spraying disinfectant.” This is the sixth year for the Garber Award. Chris Garber, for whom this award is named, oversaw the Physical Plant at the time of his death in 2015. Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.

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The Office of Multicultural Affairs and the Jean Childs Young Intercultural Center is located on the North Manchester campus.

ROLLE

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Intercultural Center on the North Manchester campus, providing a support network, outreach, advocacy and other services for students and the campus community.

“We were lucky to have someone ready to jump into this work in our own community. Rudy has had many experiences both as a Manchester student and resident of North Manchester that will suit him well in this work,” Van Vlerah said. “This position focuses spe-

cifically on the student experience and student diversity programming. Rudy’s deep knowledge of Manchester will complement this role.” Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.

PRAYER

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Penix said they also hold regular prayer times from 10

to 11 a.m. Tuesdays, “with a focus on the community.” To sign up for a time, visit [www.praywabash.org](http://www.praywabash.org) or call or text Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047, Debbie Sweet at

260-571-6072 or Penix at 260-571-9809. Rob Burgess, Wabash Plain Dealer editor, may be reached by email at [rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com](mailto:rburgess@wabashplaindealer.com).



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# Obituaries

## Joyce Ann Acevedo-Hart

Sept 13, 1958 – Aug 25, 2021

Joyce Ann Acevedo-Hart, 62, of Jefferson City, passed away Wednesday, Aug 25, 2021 at Capital Region Medical Center. She was born on Sept 13, 1958 in Chicago, Illinois to Luis Acevedo and Jane Hill.

Joyce was a graduate of Hazelwood West High School and went on to graduate from Tarkio College, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree. She proudly served her country for over 35 years in the Missouri National Guard until her retirement in 2017 as a Sergeant Major. Though her list of accomplishments in the military is undoubtedly extensive, receiving the Meritorious Service Medal and leaving a legacy for generations to follow, were her most treasured accomplishments in the military.

Joyce took great pleasure in spending time with her friends and family. She was loved and adored by her family as a rock while being looked up to and respected by all who knew her. She was known for her giving heart. She always took people under her wing, mentored people, and was like a second mom to her children's friends. Joyce was a mom to many, including rescue dogs. She loved her pack, which included her Boxers and Chihuahua. She enjoyed entertaining friends with a glass of wine, having people over to spend time in her pool, going to music events, being outdoors, and experiencing joyous little adventures that were perfectly one of a kind.

She was preceded in death by her father, Luis Acevedo, and is survived by her mother, Jane Hill, and her



daughters Dawn (Travis) Hart-Kerkvliet and Audrey Laczko. She was highly involved in her granddaughter's life, Nina Laczko and was affectionately called "Nana". She is also survived by her brothers and sisters, including Dean, William "Willie", Wilma, Carmen "Lety", and Sindia "Cindy". She also leaves many other family members and friends who will greatly miss her.

Friends will be received from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept 4, 2021 at Houser-Millard Funeral Directors. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. with Pastor Joe Case officiating. Interment with full military honors will follow at River-view Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Central Missouri Honor Flight or K9 on the Front Line – Missouri.

Arrangements are under the direction of HOUSER-MILLARD Funeral Directors, 2613 West Main Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65109 (573) 636-3838. Condolences may be left online for the family at [www.millardfamilychapels.com](http://www.millardfamilychapels.com).

## Avis Irene Click Glassburn

June 16, 1931 – Sept 2, 2021

Avis Irene Click Glassburn, 90, Denver, Indiana, passed away at 3:45 p.m. on Thursday, Sept 2, 2021, at Hickory Creek of Peru.

Born on June 16, 1931, in Peru, Indiana, she was the daughter of William and Julia Ann (Hedge) McCutcheon.

On Feb 15, 1948, in Miami County, Indiana, she was married to Russell Elbert Click, and he preceded her in death on Jan 11, 1981. She was then married to Oliver V. Glassburn on May 3, 1986, and he preceded her in death on Oct 17, 2004.

She was a member of the Peru Church of the Nazarene. After the death of her first husband, she went back to school to study nursing. She received her LPN license and worked at various positions, retiring from home healthcare. She had worked at Miller's Merry Manor for several years, but she spent most of her career working in pediatrics.

Survivors include three sons, William E. (Cathy) Click, Denver; Edward L. (Sandra) Click, Denver; and Dave L. Click; her daughter, Mona M. Kennedy, Denver; six grandchildren, Aaron (Sabrina) Click, Logansport; Sheila (Darin) Oliver, Rossville; Tim (Roxanne) Ciavardoni, Peru; several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mary (Richard) Howard, Atwater, California.



She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, two grandchildren, Jason Corey Click and Angela Lynnette Britton; two great-grandchildren, Eric Jefferson Jones and Brayton Kelsor; and five siblings, Winifred A. McCutcheon, Charles Lester McCutcheon, Edith Faye Gambee, William Rodney McCutcheon, and Betty Ann Kleiman.

Funeral services will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept 7, 2021, at McClain Funeral Home, with Pastor Tony Winter and Pastor Mark Elliot officiating. Private burial will follow in Ever-Rest Memorial Park, Cass County.

Visitation will be from 4-6 p.m. on Tuesday, at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Peru Church of the Nazarene.

McClain Funeral Home, Denver, Indiana, has been entrusted with arrangements. Condolences may be sent online at [www.mcclainfh.com](http://www.mcclainfh.com).

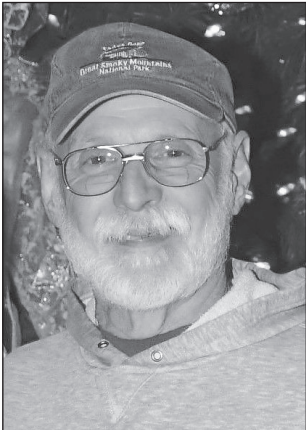
## John Marshall Brainard, Jr

Sept 6, 1947 – Sept 1, 2021

John Marshall Brainard, Jr., 73, of rural Wabash, Indiana, died at 7:57 pm, Wednesday, Sept 1, 2021, at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne. He was born on Sept 6, 1947, in Wabash, to John Marshall, Sr. and Jean D. (Brown) Brainard.

John was a 1965 graduate of Wabash High School. He was preceded in death by his first wife Linda Brainard, who died Aug 9, 1967. He then married Patsy Coon in Wabash on June 9, 1973. John was a US Army veteran. He enjoyed working. John was a journeyman millwright and during his lifetime, had several jobs. He worked for Diehl Machines, Brown Trucking, Gaunt and Son Inc, General Tire, owned John Brainard Excavating, and retired from Chrysler, in Kokomo. He was a 50 year member of Hanna Masonic Lodge. John also enjoyed his 34 Ford hot rod, motorcycles, operating heavy equipment, traveling with his wife Patsy, and loved spending time with his family and grandkids. He was an animal lover, and especially loved his dog, Jackson.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy Brainard of Wabash; three sons, Jay R. (Kendra) Brainard, Kevin (Stephenie) Brainard, and Cory (Maia) Brainard, all of Wabash, twelve grandchildren, Zachary Brainard, Joshua (Kelsey) Brainard, Jared (Rachel) McDonald, Lindsey (William)



Murphy, Dyson (Emily) Brainard, Emma Brainard, Gavin Brainard, Claire Brainard, Avry Napier, Emma Napier, Graci Napier, and Cohen Brainard; great-grandson, Emmett Brainard, brothers and sister, Michael (Ma'Fe) Brainard of Wabash, Anne (Verne) Eckley of Arkansas, Bill (Kathy) Brainard of Ohio, and Tom (Sue) Brainard of Wabash. He was also preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be 10 am, Wednesday, Sept 8, 2021, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Avenue, Wabash, with David Phillips officiating. Burial will be in Falls Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2-8 pm Tuesday, and one hour prior to the service on Wednesday, at the funeral home.

The memorial guest book for John may be signed at [www.grandstaff-hentgen.com](http://www.grandstaff-hentgen.com).

## Susan C. Egolf

March 15, 1955 – Sept 1, 2021

Susan C. Egolf, 66, North Manchester, Indiana, passed away Sept 1, 2021 at Parkview Randallia Hospice in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The daughter of Laurence R. "Larry" and Carolyn I. (Holl) Leffel, Susan was born March 15, 1955 in Wabash, Indiana.

After graduating from Manchester High School in 1973, Susan went to work for Manchester Trucking. After years of service, she began working for United Technologies, where she was employed for over fifteen years. When United Technologies closed in 1998, Susan began working for Sodexo Food Service at Manchester University, where she made an impact on both her co-workers and the students. In October of 2020 Manchester University athletes and coaches did a cancer walk to Susan's home to show their respect and admiration for her. This touching tribute left a lasting impression on Susan.

On April 9, 2004 Susan married Jay Egolf. The two were married for nearly fourteen years before Jay passed away on March 6, 2018.

Susan enjoyed gardening and spending time with her cats, but she especially loved her time with her grandchildren. She also relished in her time at Manchester Church of the Brethren, where she was a member. Her faith got her



through her battles with cancer and Multiple Sclerosis.

The loving memory of Susan C. Egolf will be forever cherished by her son, Jason Rhoades, North Manchester; step-daughter, Tammy Egolf, North Manchester; brother, Scott (Jo) Leffel, North Manchester; grandchildren, Rebecca Carey, Jevon Rhoades, Jacey Rhoades, Aariah Dillon, and McKayla Dillon; and great-grandchild, Liam Hendrix Martin. Susan was preceded in death by her parents, Larry and Carolyn Leffel and husband, Jay Egolf.

At the request of Susan, no services will be held. To honor her memory instead, memorial contributions may be made to Blessings in a Backpack, P.O. Box 2, North Manchester, Indiana 46962.

The family of Susan Egolf has entrusted McKee Mortuary with care and final arrangements.

## Tricia Ayres Robinson

Jan 11, 1964 – Sept 2, 2021

Tricia Ayres Robinson, 57, North Manchester, died Sept 2, 2021. She was born Jan 11, 1964 to Terry and Toni (Miller) Ayres.

Surviving are her parents, Terry and Toni Ayres; son, Josh (Page Magner) Robinson; daughter, Emma Robinson; brother, Trent (Katie) Ayres; foster sister, Benita Bibler; nephews and nieces, Landon Bewley, Tiffany

Ayres, Tara Ayres, Tayler Ayres, Rachel, Will, and Grant Bibler.

Visitation Wednesday, Sept 8, 2021 from 3-7 p.m. at McKee Mortuary, 1401 S.R. 114 West, North Manchester. Funeral services Thursday, Sept 9, 2021 at 11 a.m. with calling one hour prior at McKee Mortuary. Burial at Oaklawn Cemetery.

# Grow Wabash County announces new fall trainings

Scholarships are available for Wabash County residents

STAFF REPORT

Grow Wabash County (GWC) has announced the upcoming slate of fall 2021 training classes made possible by partnerships with Ivy Tech Community College, Freedom Academy, CTS Driving Academy and Heartland Career Center, according to project manager for marketing and events Chelsea Boulrisse.

The slate of fall 2021 courses currently open for registration include:

### Digital Marketing Series

Melissa Meredith, Wabash County native and owner of Content Creative marketing firm in Tampa Florida, is partnering with Grow Wabash County (GWC) to present "Thinking Big in Your Smaller Business," a series of workshops to help Wabash County businesses boost their message through effective digital marketing. This four-part series will meet monthly virtually via Zoom between September and November on the second Friday of each month from 8 to 9 a.m. The fourth session will be an in-person, half-day workshop from 8 a.m. to noon, Friday, Jan. 14, 2022. The price for the series is \$50 or \$40 for GWC investors. To register, visit [growwabashcounty.com/thinkbig](http://growwabashcounty.com/thinkbig).

### Cybersecurity Course

Ivy Tech Community College is offering a free, non-credit cybersecurity course to cover the basics of how to protect yourself and your business from fraud and other cyber threats. The course meets virtually on three concurrent Saturdays beginning Sept. 11. To register, visit <http://link.ivytech.edu/FWcyber>.

### Commercial Driver's License (CDL) certification

The CTS Driving Academy in partnership with Ivy Tech Community College is offering a CDL certification program. The next course will take place Monday, Sept. 13 through Friday, Oct. 1. Tuition for this course is \$4,950 and covers all materials and exam fees to take the CDL A License test twice. To register, contact Jennifer Tippmann by email at [jtippmann@drivingdynamics.com](mailto:jtippmann@drivingdynamics.com) or by calling 260-433-4132.

### Welding Certification

Freedom Academy is offering a welding certification course beginning Tuesday, Sept. 14 through Thursday, Nov. 18 that will meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 9 p.m. at Heartland Career Center, 79 S. 200 West. Students in the welding program will acquire the knowledge, understanding and ability to weld according to specific AWS codes for Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW), and prepares students to test for an AWS certification. Tuition for this course is \$3,795

and covers all materials, textbooks and exam fees. To register, call 260-347-0887.

### Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) certification

Freedom Academy is offering a CCMA certification program beginning Tuesday, Sept. 21 that will meet from 4 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday until Thursday, Dec. 9 at Heartland Career Center, 79 S. 200 West. This program will instruct students in the many facets and responsibilities of a CCMA. After the course, students will take the National Healthcareer Association (NHA) Certified Clinical Medical Assistant Exam. Tuition for this course is \$3,562 and covers all materials, textbooks and exam fees. To register, call 260-347-0887.

### Computer Numerical Control (CNC) Machinist/Mill Operator certification

Freedom Academy is offering a CNC Machining certification program that will begin Monday, Sept. 27 and will meet from 4 to 8 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday until Monday, Dec. 20 at Heartland Career Center, 79 S. 200 W, Wabash. Instruction covers set up and operation of CNC mill, manual lathe and vertical milling machines, automated machining, blueprint reading, shop mathematics, machine tool theory, inspection, surface plate techniques and basic operation. Tuition for this course is \$3,983 and covers all materials, textbooks and exam fees. To register, call 260-347-0887.

### Microsoft Excel Series

Grow Wabash County is partnering with Ivy Tech Community College to offer beginner, intermediate and advanced Microsoft Excel series training classes. Classes will take place from 1 to 5 p.m. on congruent Tuesdays on Oct. 5, 12 and 19 at Wabash County Community Learning Center located at 277 N. Thorne St. To register for an individual session, for \$150, or the series, for \$375 or \$325 for GWC investors, visit [growwabashcounty.com/excelworkshop](http://growwabashcounty.com/excelworkshop).

"Grow Wabash County is committed to helping our local workforce grow not only in number but in skill," said Grow Wabash County vice president Tenille Zartman. "We are especially thankful for the many community and educational partners that have joined us in expanding access to training and certification programs to help Wabash County grow a larger, more talented labor force."

Scholarships are available for Wabash County residents through Grow Wabash County thanks to the generous support of the Community Foundation of Wabash County and the Wabash County United Fund. The online application for these scholarships may be found by visiting [growwabashcounty.com/training](http://growwabashcounty.com/training) scholarship.

For more information, visit [growwabashcounty.com/trainingopportunities](http://growwabashcounty.com/trainingopportunities).

# Indiana legislators consider Texas abortion law but not this year

By TOM DAVIES  
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana's Republican-dominated Legislature has approved numerous abortion restrictions over the past decade but its top leaders said Thursday it won't hurry to adopt legislation patterned after a new Texas law that bans most abortions.

Even though legislators will be meeting for an unusual session during the last two weeks of September, In-

diana House Speaker Todd Huston and Senate President Pro Tem Rodric Bray said they would limit that session to the redrawing of congressional and legislative district maps. That means any abortion law debates wouldn't happen until the next regular legislative session starts in January.

"We're closely watching what's happening in Texas in regards to their new pro-life law, including any legal challenges," Huston said in a statement. "Indiana is one of

the most pro-life states in the country, and we'll continue to examine ways to further protect life at all stages."

The U.S. Supreme Court, in a 5-4 ruling, allowed the new Texas law to take effect Wednesday even though the court didn't rule on its constitutionality. The action has Republicans in many states eager to pass similar measures.

The Texas law allows private citizens to bring lawsuits in state court against anyone involved in an

abortion other than the patient. Other abortion laws are enforced by state and local officials, with criminal sanctions possible. It also prohibits abortions once medical professionals can detect cardiac activity, usually around six weeks, which is before most women know they're pregnant.

Abortion-rights supporters vowed to continue the legal fight and said Texas politicians had made a "mockery of the rule of law."

Republican Indiana state

Sen. Liz Brown of Fort Wayne, who sponsored several anti-abortion bills adopted in recent years, said she was interested in pursuing a law similar to the one in Texas.

Brown, who is an attorney, said she believed the provision allowing private citizens to sue abortion providers and others was "appropriate."

"I think that abortions affect society and the community and frankly, in some states, even though you may have pro-life legislators, you

do not always have pro-life bureaucrats who are willing to do enforcement inspections," Brown said.

Indiana's Legislature has adopted numerous abortion restrictions over the past decade, with several later blocked by court challenges.

A federal judge ruled in August that several of Indiana's laws restricting abortion were unconstitutional, including the state's ban on telemedicine consultations between doctors and women seeking abortions.



# Opinion

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## DAILY SCRIPTURE

A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 17:17

# Extremism continues its spread, causing grief for school officials

Added another layer to the destruction being wrought by right-wing extremism in America: School officials across the nation are stepping down amid threats and intimidation over masking and vaccination policies, critical race theory and other issues on which the right has been radicalized.

As reported this past week-end by The Associated Press, a growing number of school board members are resigning after being bullied, threatened and vilified by anti-maskers and the like. Meanwhile, this ugliness is making the jobs of superintendents, principals and others in school systems more difficult, which helps explain why superintendents left their jobs in unprecedented numbers after the last school year.

We've seen this in Nevada, where Washoe County board member Kurt Thigpen resigned in May less than a year after winning his seat.

In a column for the news publication This is Reno, Thigpen described being harassed and cyberbullied to the point where he began to have suicidal thoughts. Thigpen wrote that the problems began in January, when agitators began showing up at school board meetings to vilify the superintendent for issuing a statement condemning the Jan. 6 insurrection. From there, "the threat level only got higher, school police presence got higher, and the vitriol, hate, harassment, intimidation and abuse by some members of the public only got worse."

Thigpen, an openly gay man who experienced anti-LGBT

hate as a teenager growing up in the South, described receiving a torrent of threatening emails, text messages, phone calls and social media messages. Coupled with the anger he witnessed in person at board meetings, the hatred he absorbed in his private life left him feeling afraid to go out of his home.

Clark County school board members and educators have also been subjected to this vitriol, unfortunately. Masking opponents became so ginned up during an Aug. 12 board meeting that several were escorted out by police.

The AP reported that although the National School Boards Association hadn't seen evidence of widespread departures of board members, several reached by reporters "said the charged political climate that has seeped from the national stage into their meetings has made a difficult job even more challenging, if not impossible."

Elsewhere, teachers have been confronted and even assaulted, as was the case with someone ripping the face mask off a Texas educator.

It's despicable that anyone has to deal with this right-wing hatred and their mob-rule tactics, including school officials.

Keep in mind that in almost all cases, board members serve without pay. They're generally parents or former educators who serve not for political purposes but to simply provide the children of their community with a high-quality education in a safe environment.

We applaud those who are staying the course and express

sympathy for those who are being overwhelmed.

To those who remain in the system, know that all reasonable Americans – meaning the majority – appreciate what you're doing in protecting children and staff from COVID-19, rebuffing the politically motivated attacks on curriculum, etc. A poll last week by the AP and NORC Center for Public Affairs Research showed that just 25 percent of Americans oppose mask mandates for students and staff.

Unfortunately, school board members and staff are just one category of public servants being affected by right-wing extremism. There's been a wave of resignations among election staff members, for instance, amid threats of violence from those who have been deluded into believing the Big Lie.

Our country can't sit back and allow this harassment of our public servants to continue, as their work is too important to all of us.

Speaking of which, here's a vote of confidence to the responsible Republicans who are working to steer their party away from extremism, violence and hate. The departures of school board members, election officials, etc., underscores the importance of this mission.

Finally, we offer one more show of support for school leaders and educators – keep up your efforts to protect our kids. As shown by the horrible behavior of those on the right, we need rational adults in the room more than ever.

*This editorial was first published in the Las Vegas Sun.*

# Diversity? Plato has a few questions

By **RICHARD MCGOWAN**  
Indiana Policy Review Foundation

Plato's dialogue, "Meno," begins abruptly. Meno asks Socrates, "Can ethics be taught?"

I followed Plato's approach. On the first day of class, I asked my students, "Can ethics be taught?" They wrote that "Ethics and moral standards depend on the individual and their upbringing," "Morals are not absolute in that they change from culture to culture and over the course of time," "What one person deems ethical, another may think is unethical," "Ethics can differ from one group of people to another," and "One person's set of ethics may differ from another's and we can never really say who is right or wrong."

Of 100 students, 75 of 85 presented some variation of those responses. So much for diversity.

I will not address the wisdom of those students who wrote "ethics cannot be taught" and submitted it to the person who had the responsibility of teaching the required ethics course. I will address the problem the student responses demonstrated, namely, relativism.

The student who wrote, "Ethics and moral standards depend on the individual," captured the position known as ethical subjectivism. In Plato's day, Protagoras, the great sophist, said something similar: "Man is the measure of all things." The claim that morals "change from culture to culture" presents the position of cultural relativism, that right and wrong depend on the culture or society. Plato, who lived under the Thirty Tyrants, witnessed first-hand how cultural relativism works out when his teacher, Socrates, was put to death. Plato thought a floor of universal moral standards exists.

If my students' responses were any indicator, this is an age of relativism; and my claim does not depend on what "is" is. Too often I have observed that some notion of diversity is used to defend a cultural practice: "It's not wrong; it's just different," as though women being raped in some culture's backyard is defensible.

That's the kind of thing I heard from my students. But looking at the responses to the question of ethics being taught, the responses show patterns, clear patterns. The patterns are shared by many people, as researchers such as Lawrence Kohlberg and William Perry have observed. The social sciences could not work unless people were predictable, though not invariable.

I asked my students who their heroes were. The most common answer? Around 90 percent said "Mom" or "Dad" or "my parents." So much for diversity.

I asked why they were heroes; The students listed virtues – caring, giving, faithful, courageous, honest and so on. After one class named the virtues, I'd cover their responses. The next class went through the same exercise. They listed the same virtues. Some might say that the virtues are cultural to Americans. If my foreign students are any indication, cultures all over the world value and identify the same virtues. One class now knows of Prince Faud, from the royal family, who defended Kuwait from Iraqi invaders. Naser al-Mutairi told us "He did not have to take arms. He was from the royal family but he showed courage and died in battle."

Every society needs and has people who show courage, taking risks on behalf of the good. Virtues are universal. So much for diversity.

All societies have laws and, remarkably, many are similar. I asked my Korean students, "Is murder illegal in Korea." He looked at me as though I'd grown a second head. "Of course." Turns out, murder is illegal in every society where my foreign students lived. Note: stealing is illegal, too.

That is not surprising given that the Golden Rule can be found in all the major cultures and their derivative cultures. I drove home this lesson by reading variations of the Golden Rule and asking students to identify the source. One source states, "Regard your neighbor's gain as your own gain and regard your neighbor's loss as your own loss" and another states "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." One states that "What you do not want done to yourself, do not do to others" and another says "As you deem yourself, so deem others." One source states that "None of you truly have faith if you do not desire for your brother that which you desire for yourself" and another says "What is hateful to you, do not do to your neighbor." The sources (Taoism, Christianity, Confucianism, Sikhism, the Quran and the Talmud, respectively) suggest that cultures have the same broad moral injunction.

And what if ethics and morals are not thought to be universal? J.K. Rowling provided the answer 25 years ago. In the climactic chapter of the first Harry Potter book, "Professor Quirrell," a stand-in for Voldemort says to Harry, "There is no good or evil, there is only power." The Nazis had power, too. How did that turn out? In an age of relativism, nihilism appears defensible.

It is not.

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# 'Dress code' says all is normal

On the one hand, the little kerfuffle at Fort Wayne's Northrop High School is too trifling to make a big deal of.

But on the other, it invites discussion because it is such a welcome sign of normality in a time when all traditional values are under constant assault.

And by "normality," I mean the kind of dispute we had before the great Red State-Blue State divide, a topic worthy of spirited discussion but not weighty enough to start fistfights or break apart families.

While students elsewhere might be accusing their elders of systemic racism or pushing the boundaries of gender fluidity or agonizing over climate change while happily anticipating the death throes of capitalism, Northrop students are protesting ... their school's dress code.

To be fair, it is the dress code for all of Fort Wayne Community Schools, but a school system spokesperson is quoted as saying that Northrop "has new leadership, which is enforcing dress code more strictly than in the past."

That makes the protest so understandable. No students like to think their contemporaries in other schools are getting away with something they can't. Especially if they think the rules are being unfairly applied in their own school.

**Leo Morris**



can either ease up on females or they can make it equal to everyone."

That has such a nostalgic, 1970s, "I am woman, hear me roar" vibe, doesn't it?

In response, the FWCS representative expressed admiration for the students' efforts: "We appreciate that students want to stand up for what they think is right and what they think is not right."

Isn't that just so darn polite? We can almost expect the students and administration to sit down over soft drinks and cookies to mediate their way to an agreement while "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" plays softly in the background.

I'm old enough to remember when a school's "dress code" was whatever an overbearing teacher told a cowering student. Oh, maybe there was something formal – hammered out in secret in the faculty lounge by teachers smoking cigarettes and telling dirty jokes – but all the students needed to know was, "Johnson,

The crack-down "is only on the girls," one student protester said, apparently in reference to the parts of the code forbidding exposure of the stomach and bare shoulders. "They

go home and cut those sideburns" or "Miss Johnson, cover up those knees."

By the time my sister got to high school a few years later, administrators were reacting to social upheaval by enacting strict dress codes and making them ever stronger. She remembers her school's being so draconian that she was not allowed to wear pants until her junior year.

And by then students had collectively decided to start wearing jeans, which amounted to a self-selected uniform. Since the students all had more or less the same appearance, there was no individuality expressed, therefore no disruption of the education mission, so the teachers were happy to let it slide.

That's the whole secret both of dress codes and student reaction to them. They are efforts to dictate a uniform without actually creating a uniform. Or calling it that. And young people naturally rebel against uniforms by adopting the same kind of rebellious clothing, itself a uniform.

Most people, whether they admit it or not, are comfortable with the idea of a uniform, dressing more or less like everyone else in the group they interact with the most. So, it's not about the uniform, but about who creates it.

I learned that in the Army. So many of my fellow soldiers complained about peas-in-a-pod

conformity, being made to dress alike and march in lockstep and strictly obey every order, that they failed to recognize what a good disguise a uniform can be. Those who impose it are so focused on the outer homogeneity that they overlook the subversiveness of those of us nurturing our inner individuality.

That was the old Army, alas, when our military strived to be a meritocracy whose members of were forged into a single force with the sole purpose of defending the United States. I can't say what the uniform standards are today, but they can't be very strict when our generals, along with high school students, are mostly concerned with systemic racism, gender fluidity and climate change.

But that is the new normality, and I think we've already established that I much prefer the old normality.

Which is hanging by a thread. The Fort Wayne school spokesperson, while admiring the students' stand on principles, told a reporter that the district could review certain parts of the policy in the future, "but the dress code itself is here to stay."

That's the most normal thing I've heard in at least the last year and a half. It's enough to make an old man weep with gratitude.

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# Lifestyles



Photo by Lynda Balslev for TasteFood

## Say goodbye to summer with this feisty condiment

It's the end of summer, so why not go out with a bang and make caponata? Caponata is a Sicilian vegetable stew or compote.

Lynda Balslev



I slightly resembles Provencal ratatouille, but while both are tomato-rich stews consisting of a bounty of summer vegetables and aromatics influenced by their geography, they diverge from there. Ratatouille typically includes a variety of vegetables, such as eggplant, squash and peppers, and is bright and restrained in its summery balance. Caponata, on the other hand, is feistier and more fragrant, with a decidedly sweet and sour or agrodolce nod to its Italian roots and Greek and Moorish influence. Eggplant is the dominant vegetable in caponata,

cooked until golden and squidgy, and punctuated with briny olives and capers, laced with vinegar, and refreshed with sweet raisins and honey. If you are going to salute the end of summer, you might as well exit loudly with this lip-smacking condiment. Caponata is traditionally served as an appetizer on toasted bread or crostini or as a side dish. It's also a bright garnish for fish and poultry. If possible, make caponata a day in advance and refrigerate overnight to allow the flavors to develop.

**Caponata**  
**Active time: 30 minutes**  
**Total time: 30 minutes, plus cooling time**  
**Yield: Serves 4 to 6 as a side dish**  
**Extra-virgin olive oil**  
**1 medium globe eggplant, about 1 1/4 pounds, cut into 3/4-inch cubes**  
**Kosher salt**  
**1 medium yellow onion,**

**chopped**  
**1 red bell pepper, seeded and diced**  
**1 large celery rib, finely diced**  
**3 garlic cloves, minced**  
**1/2 teaspoon dried oregano**  
**1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes**  
**1 cup crushed Italian plum tomatoes**  
**1/3 cup golden raisins**  
**1/4 cup coarsely chopped green olives, such as Castelvetrano**  
**3 tablespoons capers, drained**  
**2 tablespoons red wine vinegar**  
**2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar**  
**2 teaspoons honey or brown sugar**  
**1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper**  
**2 tablespoons chopped Italian parsley**  
Heat 1/4 cup oil in a large, deep skillet or pot over medium-high heat. Add the eggplant and season with salt. Cook until soft and golden, about 8 minutes,

stirring frequently. Transfer to a plate. Add 1 tablespoon oil to the same skillet, then add the onion and cook over medium heat until soft, about 2 minutes. Add the red pepper and celery and saute until bright and crisp-tender, 2 to 3 minutes. Add the garlic, oregano and red pepper flakes and saute until fragrant, about 1 minute. Stir in the tomatoes, raisins, olives, capers, vinegars, honey and black pepper. Reduce the heat to medium-low and simmer for 8 to 10 minutes. Return the eggplant to the skillet and continue to simmer until the eggplant is very soft, about 5 minutes more. Taste for seasoning and add additional salt if desired. Remove from the heat and stir in the parsley. Cool completely to serve. If possible, refrigerate the caponata overnight to allow the flavors to develop. Serve at room temperature or chilled.

## Tail-chasing in a cat could be a sign of a health issue

By JOAN MORRIS  
The Mercury News (TNS)

**DEAR JOAN:** What do you know about cats chasing their tails?  
Our cat, who found us and said "I live here now, feed me," has chased his tail (before), although only one or two times. Within the last week he seems to be aggressively going after his tail.  
I know this is worrisome. Obviously, I need to take him to the vet. To be sure I get the right diagnosis what questions should the vet be looking at?  
Joan, Palo Cedro, California  
**DEAR JOAN:** It's normal for kittens to chase their tails, but less common in adult cats. Anytime a pet starts exhibiting a strange, unexplained behavior, it's time for a visit with the vet.  
Your regular vet should be able to handle it. If you don't have a vet, look for one that



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**Anytime a pet starts exhibiting a strange, unexplained behavior, it's time for a visit with the vet.**  
specializes in small animals or cats. It's possible – not likely, but possible – that you'll need a specialist, but this is a good starting point.  
The tail chasing could be something benign, such as the cat being bored. He might also have a flea problem. Fleas are known to congregate at the base of the tail, causing itching and irritation. Your cat could be trying to get to the itchy spot.  
Your cat might also have an anal infection or an infection on the tail that is causing itching and discomfort.  
A less likely reason could be allergies, either from food or something in the environment. They can cause itchy or

sensitive skin throughout the body. You'd most likely see a rash or ear infection if your cat is suffering from an allergic reaction.  
You didn't say whether your cat has been neutered, but if he hasn't, the tail-chasing could be a sign of a supracaudal gland infection. Sebaceous glands secrete oils that help keep your cat's coat nice and silky, but they can lead to an accumulation of waxy material usually at the base of the tail, which is more common in intact males. Check for matted, crusty hair there.  
Some cats have a rare disease called hyperesthesia syndrome, which is overactive nerve endings that can cause tingling and discomfort when touched.  
Otherwise, tail chasing shouldn't be a significant issue, although it can cause injuries if the cat is too aggressive.

## Your 401(k) is pocketing fees on your investment – many people don't realize it

If you're putting money in your workplace's 401(k) retirement plan, it's important that you understand that the fees you're being charged matter. Yet an amazing percentage of 401(k) plan participants not only don't

Michelle Singletary



understand what they are being charged – they think there's absolutely no cost to invest in these plans. They are wrong. For about a decade, the Labor Department has required plans to provide fee disclosures. Currently, 87 million plan participants are required to get fee disclosures. The Government Accountability Office was asked to examine how well participants understood those disclosures. Using actual disclosure content from 10 large 401(k) plans, the GAO found in a recently released report that almost 40 percent of 401(k) plan participants do not fully understand and have difficulty using the fee information.

Many people don't realize they are paying multiple fees that generally fall under two categories: administrative fees and investment-related fees. Bundled into those charges are expenses for legal, accounting and record-keeping services. You might be paying for access to customer service help or investment advice. Funds that are actively managed might incur higher fees. If you work for a small company, your plan fees and expenses might be higher.

"Fees remain a huge issue in the 401(k) industry," said Edward Gottfried, director of product at Betterment's 401(k) business. "They're frequently too high and rarely transparent enough to retirement savers."

The fees can be assessed as a flat dollar amount or as a percentage of assets. Asset-based investment fees, which are also called the expense ratio, are typically the largest fees a participant will pay, according to the GAO.

Investment fees are typically expressed as a percentage of assets under management, or the total dollar balance of an employee's 401(k) account, Gottfried said.

The GAO asked folks to review a fee disclosure note that was supposed to provide some clarity to plan participants. But it's all in how you present the information. For example, survey participants were asked: If your investment fund's expenses are \$4 each quarter per \$1,000 invested, how much are your expenses for a \$15,000 investment in that quarter, assuming that the amount of the investment doesn't change?" Dollars people know. When presented fee information this way, 88 percent of participants correctly answered that the quarterly investment cost was \$60.

The percentage of correct answers fell when people were asked to identify the fee when presented as an expense ratio. When explained this way, 53 percent of participants were unclear of what was being charged.

What's important to grasp is that whatever you're charged has an impact on your returns. The Labor Department explains it this way: Let's assume you have 35 years until retirement and a current

**It's not unreasonable for companies to charge for their investment services. It takes money to manage your money.**

401(k) account balance of \$25,000. You stop contributing, leaving the account at \$25,000. If returns average 7 percent and fees and expenses reduce your average returns by 0.5 percent, your account balance after 35 years will grow to \$227,000.

But what if your fees were 1.5 percent? You would end up with \$163,000. That difference of just that one percentage point reduces your account balance at retirement by 28 percent.

"Given that a large number of Americans already struggle to save enough money to live on in retirement, this is money they can't afford to lose," Gottfried said.

The GAO found that 64 percent of participants believe they are not paying any 401(k) fees or are unsure whether they're charged anything. I get that many workers find the fee disclosures confusing – if they review them at all. But the finding that people are unaware that there are fees had me flummoxed.

It's not unreasonable for companies to charge for their investment services. It takes money to manage your money. But it behooves you to know the costs. Ideally, the more workers know about the fees they pay, the more they may press their employers to negotiate better deals to manage their workplace retirement plans. Or, plan participants will realize that increasing what they invest can help mitigate the expenses they pay.

Among the recommendations to improve people's fee literacy, the GAO suggested that disclosures include benchmarks, which could help plan participants better gauge whether their investments' costs are competitive.

"Fee benchmarks can help participants to assess an investment option's value, not only relative to other in-plan options but to options outside the plan," the GAO said.

On your own, you should go to brightscope.com, which provides retirement-plan ratings and research. When you go to the BrightScope site, click on the drop-down menu and select "Research a 401k plan." You can enter the name of your 401(k) and see how it's rated, including a measure that looks at your plan's fees.

Your employer has an obligation to watch the fees charged for your 401(k) and to make sure they are reasonable. But how will workers know what's reasonable if they can't understand the disclosures they are getting?

With millions of people relying on their workplace plan for retirement money, knowing the fees they pay is paramount.

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## MU CC kicks off season with Hokum Kareem

Spartans travel to Calvin University for the Knight Invitational today

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University cross country teams opened their season with their annual Hokum Kareem

races on campus.

The Spartans welcomed competing athletes from Trine; Huntington; St. Francis, in Indiana; and St. Mary's, in Indiana.

The Huntington duo of Elijah Chesterman and Haile Stutzman took home top honors on the men's side, while the Trine duo of Carol Halderman and Evie Buttermeyer led the women's field on Wednesday.

Thomas Richardson, from Southmont and Ladoga

High School, and Enrique Salazar, from Plymouth, led the Black and Gold with a second-place finish after posting a time of 39:05.3.

Fiona Frost, from Indianapolis and Lawrence North High School, and

Elizabeth Lohman, from Fort Wayne and Carroll High School, were the top women's finishers for MU, finishing ninth overall with a time of 37:09.7.

Manchester will have a short turnaround as the

Spartans will travel to Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan for the Knight Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 4.

*Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.*

## Manchester volleyball rallies for a five-set victory over Olivet

Spartans overcame a two-sets-to-one deficit to win

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University volleyball team dramatically opened the 2021 season on Wednesday night inside a raucous Stauffer-Wolfe Arena. The Spartans overcame a two-sets-to-one deficit and rallied to defeat visiting Olivet College in five sets.

After taking the first set 25-20, the Spartans fell behind Olivet as the Comets took the second and third sets by scores of 25-22 and 25-14. The Spartans battled back in the fourth set, edging the Comets by a 25-23 tally to set up a decisive fifth set.

The Spartans took command in the fifth set after opening an 8-3 advantage. The Comets drew to within 13-9 before the Black and Gold were able to convert the final two deciding points.

Manchester University was paced by 16 kills from junior Halle Planck, from Gas City and Mississinewa



Provided photo

Manchester University was paced by 16 kills from junior Halle Planck, from Gas City and Mississinewa High School.

High School. Both Samantha Campbell, from Brownsburg, and Erika Kramer, from Greensburg and North Decatur High School, contributed eight kills in the win.

Jordan Holland, from Osceola and Mishawaka High School, posted a team-high 25 assists. Rachael Ressler, from Tipton, led Manchester with 16 digs. Newcomer Carly Ripberger, from Tipton, posted a double-double in Wednesday's match after finishing with 13 digs and 11

assists.

Morgan Dillon led the Comets with 12 kills, while Kennedy Blackburn added 39 assists.

The Spartans improved to 1-0 while Olivet dropped to 0-1. Manchester hosted the Spartan Volleyball Classic beginning on Friday, Sept. 4 in Stauffer-Wolfe Arena. The Black and Gold took on the University of Northwestern Ohio beginning at 4 p.m.

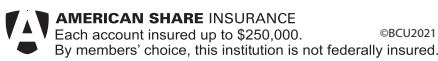
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# France’s hat trick gives Wabash boys soccer third win in a row

Apaches will host Oak Hill on Tuesday in a non-conference battle

By **CLAY MAXFIELD**  
Wabash Plain Dealer Freelance Reporter

Wabash’s varsity soccer team traveled to Caston High School on Thursday evening where the Apache’s Jacob France put together an offensive highlight reel, scoring three goals in the second half and giving Wabash, the road team, their third straight victory, 3-1.

The Apaches defeated Rochester High School in two overtimes on Tuesday evening, 4-3 with France leading the way with two goals followed by one goal apiece from Andrew Dinkins and Troy Guenin-Hodson.

Wabash head coach Bill Benysh credited his team in their ability to step up in light of roster absences due to quarantine while touching on the importance of his team being able to take advantage of non-conference matchups to fine-tune their game.

“I’m really proud of the team,” Benysh said. We’re a little depleted because of quarantine but our guys stepped up. We wanted to get away tonight with a victory but we were also focusing on developing our game a little bit since it’s a non-conference game. We came out in the second half, changed some things that we were doing and it obviously paid off for us. We slowed our game down a little bit and that really seemed to help.”

A defensive battle ensued throughout the first half until the offensive flood gates opened up for the Apaches in the second half. A missed shot by Guenin-Hodson rebounded to Jacob France for his first goal of the game in the 38th minute followed by a second score four minutes later in the contest.

After scoring his first two goals of the game, France knew he wanted to go for the hat trick.

“Once you get that first goal, immediately going for the second, then you want the hat trick. Then you go get that hat trick and it feels really good,” France said.

France’s third goal of the game came at the 20-minute mark of the second half, putting the game out of reach of the Comets despite their



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With their record currently sitting at 3-2-1, Wabash holds first place in the Three Rivers Conference with just three remaining conference matches on their schedule. The Apaches will host Oak Hill (4-2) on Tuesday evening in a non-conference battle.

Throughout their three-game succession, Benysh says that the growth he has seen from his team in the last week and a half.

Wabash took 17 shots in the win while Issac Byers stepped up as varsity goalie for the first time in his career and tallied five saves. Troy Guenin-Hodson registered two assists.

“I think we’ve really demonstrated the toughness that we try to instill in our players,” Benysh said. “We beat Manchester which is just a perennial powerhouse, came back against Rochester and then this game where they stymied us for the first half, we just hung around and find ways to make it happen.”

For Jacob France, it’s all about staying even-keeled emotionally for the Apaches.

“Teamwork. Staying compact and not panicking. Panicking is a big part of us throwing games. We got a big loss against Tippecanoe Valley which we should have won but we came back with Manchester, came back with Rochester and we’re making our way up there,” said France.

Clay Maxfield, Wabash Plain Dealer freelance reporter, may be reached by email at sports@wabashplaindealer.com.



Troy Guenin-Hodson registered two assists.



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Backup quarterback Carter Campassi, from Cicero and Hamilton Heights High School, helped guide Manchester's two scores on the evening. Provided photo

# Spartans football dropped by Trine to begin the season

Manchester will host Alma College on Saturday, Sept. 11 in Spartan Stadium

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University football suffered a 52-14 setback against visiting Trine University to begin the fall 2021 season. Trine racked up 526 yards of total offense on Thursday evening while coming away with 5 takeaways. Backup quarterback Carter Campassi, from Cicero and Hamilton Heights High School, helped guide Manchester's two scores on the evening. Campassi connected with Darren Lathrop,

from Lafayette, and McCutcheon High School, on a 35-yard touchdown strike with 7:31 remaining in the ballgame. Campassi also hit newcomer Cameron Hovey, from Sheridan, for an 11-yard touchdown reception with 25 ticks left on the clock. Campassi would finish with 74 yards passing on Thursday evening. Christian Smith, from Indianapolis and Arsenal Tech High School, led the Black and Gold with 83 rushing yards against the Thunder. Harrington Greer, from South Bend and Riley High School, set a new career-high with 10 receptions. Greer finished with 79 receiving yards on Thursday. Jalen Masden, from Evansville and Harrison High

School, finished with 3.5 tackles-for-loss, 1.5 sacks, and 8 total tackles against the Thunder. Trine quarterback Alex Price finished with 312 yards passing and 2 touchdowns. Thunder running back Xaine Kirby carried the ball 15 times for 109 yards and 3 scores. Manchester (0-1) will host Alma College on Saturday, Sept. 11 in Spartan Stadium beginning at 6 p.m. Manchester University will formally dedicate the new stadium with a ceremony before kickoff. Trine (1-0) will host Rose-Hulman on Saturday, Sept. 11 with kickoff coming at 7 p.m. from Angola. Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.

# Oregon State hopes to spoil Purdue's 500th game at Ross-Ade

WEST LAFAYETTE (AP) — Purdue has quite the bash planned for Saturday night's season-opener. It will play its 500th game at Ross-Ade Stadium underneath the lights, with thousands in the stands and renewed hope of reviving a program coming off back-to-back losing seasons. All the Boilermakers need now is a victory celebration to cap the historic weekend. "I think getting back in our stadium in front of our fans will be exciting for the players, exciting for all the Purdue fans," coach Jeff Brohm said. "We want to go out and execute, play hard-nosed, tough, physical football and play the game the way it's supposed to be played, competing to the very end." Historically, the Boilermakers have played their best football at home. Nearly two-thirds of the program's 620 wins have come on one of three home fields with the last 290 at Ross-Ade. Oregon State will make its second appearance on Purdue's home turf after ruining

homecoming weekend for the then second-ranked Boilermakers in 1967. And they'll have another chance to crash the party Saturday by snapping a three-game losing streak. The Beavers went 2-3 in close games, setting a single-season school record for games decided by six or fewer points. And even though coach Johnathan Smith's teams have been among the nation's best at avoiding giveaways during his three-year tenure, his resume includes only two non-conference wins — Southern Utah in 2018 and Cal Poly in 2019. Beating the Boilermakers would send an early signal this season could be dramatically different. "They're similar to us, you look back even last year in regards to their games they played, how close they were," Smith said. "Similar as in regards to how many returning players, they've got and we've got. I think it's a matchup that should be highly competitive."

So are Brohm and his players, who can set off the big finish by ending a four-game skid. "You put in all this work all year long, you dedicate a lot of your life to finding ways to improve and get better and win football games," Brohm said. "There's no reason not to go out there and be excited, lay it all on the line, cut it loose each and every week, play free, want to make plays, want to be aggressive, want to go for the win." By the numbers Purdue christened Ross-Ade with a 26-7 victory over rival Indiana on Nov. 22, 1924. It opened with a seating capacity of 13,500 and has expanded six times. The largest crowd, 71,629, watched the Boilermakers defeat the Hoosiers 24-23 on Nov. 22, 1980. A \$70 million renovation project ended in 2003 and today the stadium — one of the 25 oldest in the FBS — seats 57,282. Overall, the Boilermakers are 290-196-3 on their home turf.

# MU men's soccer falls to Trine 3-1

All four goals were in the second half

By DILLON BENDER

The Manchester University men's soccer team dropped its season opener to Trine on Wednesday afternoon in Spartan Stadium by a final score of 3-1. All four goals were netted in the second half. Trine opened the scoring early in the second period, scoring in the 48th minute.

Tyler Murphy broke the scoreless draw with his first goal of the new fall campaign. Ethan Pendry assisted on the opening goal for Trine. The Thunder jumped out to a 3-0 lead after scoring goals in the 50th and 63rd minutes. Manchester would get on the scoreboard in the 70th minute, with Cory Mitchell, from Maitland, Florida, and Winter Park High School, netting his first goal of the season. Newcomer Ian Bowron, from Fish-

ers, picked up his first career collegiate assist on the Mitchell goal. On the day, Manchester held a 9-8 advantage in shots taken while the visiting Thunder held a 7-4 advantage in corner kicks taken. Manchester was back in action Friday, Sept. 4 when the Spartans headed to Wilmington, in Ohio, for a non-conference match that was slated to begin at 7 p.m. Dillon Bender is the sports information director for Manchester University.

# No. 17 Indiana's Penix faces No. 18 Iowa's veteran secondary

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — Indiana quarterback Michael Penix Jr. is back from injury. Iowa's veteran secondary is ready. The No. 17 Hoosiers need a healthy Penix in order to continue the momentum they built in the pandemic-shortened 2020 season, and his return comes on the road against an 18th-ranked conference opponent in one of the weekend's most anticipated openers. Penix threw for 1,645 yards and 14 touchdowns last season and rushed for 189 yards and four touchdowns before missing the last two games with a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee. Penix made All-Big Ten second team for the Hoosiers, who went 6-2 against a conference-only schedule for their most Big Ten wins since 1987. "He's a good thrower," Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. "He's very poised and also can pull down and run if he has to. But he's a really good passer. They can hit you in a lot of different ways." Cornerback Riley Moss said the sticking to basics is the key to containing Penix. "It's good eyes, good vi-

sion, going through the pre-snap reads," Moss said. "But it's mostly about just doing your job." Penix presents the first test for an Iowa secondary that brought back all its starters. "It's really about eliminating the big plays, because that's what hurts a defense," Moss said. Iowa quarterback Spencer Petras also will be in the spotlight as he enters his second season as the starter. Petras was inconsistent in 2020, something Ferentz attributed to the lack of spring practice and a hurried fall camp because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Now, with a normal spring and summer, Ferentz said he has seen improvement in Petras. "He's operating quicker and more decisively," Ferentz said. "I don't know if 'relaxed' is the right word to describe him. He's got a hyperactive note to himself. But he's doing a good job. He's doing a really good job." Petras threw five interceptions in eight starts, but only two over the last six games. He'll be going against an Indiana defense that had 17 interceptions, the second

most in the Football Bowl Subdivision. "They play different zones," Petras said. "They'll play (man-to-man) as well. The bottom line is they're a really talented secondary. They have a lot of experience. Seventeen interceptions in an eight-game season is pretty good." Indiana is in The Associated Press preseason Top 25 for the first time since 1969 and is ranked for a program-record 11th straight week. "You have to be able to block out the positive distractions and people, maybe some people saying that they're expecting you to do more things than you've maybe done in the past," coach Tom Allen said. "You still have those that continue to doubt, but that's a part of it and that's OK. I think you don't shy away from it." The Hawkeyes and Hoosiers, like everyone else in the Big Ten last season, played in front of mostly-empty stadiums with only family members allowed to watch. The opener is close to a sellout, with about 2,500 tickets remaining at 69,250-seat Kinnick Stadium early in the week.

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# Happy Labor Day weekend

By **DAVE PHILLIPS**

Labor Day was set aside to honor those who labor day in and day out to keep our country strong and care for the needs of others. One source says that the average worker spends at least 90,000 hours on a job in a lifetime. Yet, it is disheartening that, according to one survey, 50 percent of Americans are dissatisfied with their jobs.

“Work is what you do when you’d rather be doing something else,” said Mark Twain. This humorous statement of Mark Twain may strike a chord in the hearts of many today. It seems that several folks try to avoid work as much as possible, especially with all the signs that say “now hiring” and places closing because they cannot find workers. However, work is God’s idea because He knows what is best for the human spirit. Work is to be embraced not avoided.

Work reflects the one of elements in the nature of God. God is always at work (Philippians 2:13). He was at work when He spoke and created the universe. The human race was created in His image, which includes you and me. He gave Adam and Eve a job (Genesis 2:15) and God said that it was good. God is always at work right now, loving, reaching out to us, restoring and developing His image in us. This image was fractured and fragmented when sin

entered when Adam and Eve chose to do their own thing. For the human spirit to thrive, work needs to be in its proper place in our lives. He wants us to be working on our jobs, our relationship with Him and others, in caring for this world. This work involves creativity; how can I make things better, how can I do quality work?

He wants us to have jobs for several reasons. One is to provide for our physical needs. The wages we earn pay the rent or mortgage, buy food, and care for other needs we and our families have. In many ways, the labor force has changed. Many jobs can be done at home now. I met recently a couple visiting family in Wabash. The work on an island in the Mediterranean Sea online. It is good to provide for our physical needs.

We also labor, not just to meet our own needs, but the needs of others as well. When we do our jobs well, others benefit. How many products made in Wabash bless people around the world? They help supply water, build homes and roads, make car parts and recycle goods. This also enables others to keep their jobs and the supply lines efficient. Someone’s life is made better when our labor force works for quality and consistency.

I do not know where if found this statement; I may have made it up. “A job is not merely a task designed to make money, it is also intended to

produce godly character in the life of the worker.” I have worked in various workplaces. The environments are not always godly. However, the discipline of showing up on time, doing an honest day’s labor, seeing a product made that will help others, all contribute to our inner character development that reflects Jesus. Faithfulness is more than just showing up for church on Sunday morning.

As believers in and followers of Jesus, we know who we work for. We do not need a supervisor to look over our shoulders. We take initiative when needed. We are humble, as is Jesus, so we own up to our mistakes, we seek help when needed, and we don’t waste time. We stick to the job until it is done. We know who the ultimate boss is (Ephesians 6:5-8). We are accountable to Jesus. May our work habits and performance reflect the God we serve.

Maybe you hate your job. Ask God to help you find another one, or ask him to change your attitude for the job. Many look for jobs they can be passionate about. Be passionate about the job you now have and see what happens.

Enjoy Labor Day. Enjoy the job you have. May Jesus receive the honor and glory by the way you work. May others be blessed because of the way you do your job.

*Dave Phillips is the pastor of Wabash Friends Church.*

# Wabash City Hall closed for Labor Day

Wabash City Hall and all non-essential departments will be closed on Monday, Sept. 6, for Labor Day, according to Mayor Scott Long’s assistant Bev Vanderpool.

City Hall and all essential departments will reopen at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7.

“We hope you enjoy the holiday with your family and friends,” said Vanderpool.

## IN BRIEF

### Dr. Ford Home event lineup announced

Honeywell Arts & Entertainment welcomes guests of all ages to Dr. James Ford Historic Home, 177 W. Hill St., for family-friendly events, including The American Front Porch at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14; Autumn Festival from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 1; and Trick or Treat at the Home during the city of Wabash’s trick-or-treat hours. For more information, visit [HoneywellArts.org/dr-ford-home](http://HoneywellArts.org/dr-ford-home).

### Founders Day on the horizon

The Founders Day Festival, which begins with the parade through downtown Wabash, kicks off at 10 a.m. Saturday,

Sept. 18. This year’s event includes the Farmers Market moving onto Miami Street, between Canal and Market streets, a concert featuring Goshen’s Abby Thomas at Paradise Spring Historical Park, a wreath-decorating contest, a Little Mister and Miss contest, reenactors at Paradise Spring and children’s games, food trucks and vendors at the park until 4 p.m. For more information, call 260-563-4171. Anyone wishing to take part in the activities at the Pioneer Village may contact Paradise Spring board of directors president Deanna Unger by calling 260-571-2879. Wabash County YMCA vice president of operations Patty Godfroy is looking for volunteers. For more information, call her at 260-563-9622.

## COVID-19

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said “no” when asked if he had given any thought to re-instating the state-wide mask mandate.

However, Holcomb said he was still encouraging vaccinations.

“To the skeptics or unbelievers or deniers, I would just plead to look at the facts, to look at the numerical data that shows we can all stay safe if you get vaccinated. And that truly is my appeal, to get vaccinated. This is what is interfering with our supply chains. This is what is holding parts of our economy back. This is what is pulling kids out of school,” said Holcomb.

### Executive orders

Holcomb also signed a series of executive orders related to the pandemic this week.

On Monday, Holcomb signed Executive Orders 21-22 and 21-23. In Executive Order 21-22, Gov. Holcomb renewed the public health emergency for 30 days. It is set to expire on Sept. 30. The governor also signed 21-23, which extends the Executive Order specific to COVID-19 through Sept. 1, said press secretary Erin Murphy.

“The short-term extension will allow for ongoing conversations with healthcare stakeholders to evaluate pertinent information that supports hospitals during the current COVID surge,” said Murphy.

On Wednesday afternoon, Holcomb signed Executive Order 21-24. The Executive Order outlines directives to help manage the spread of COVID-19, said Murphy.

“The recent surge of cases due to the infectious Delta Variant has created a strain on the hospital system,” said Murphy. “Health care systems will use evidence-based decisions to monitor patient capacity and staffing levels to assess whether non-emergent procedures should be delayed or reprioritized. Hospitals must report diversion information to the ISDH to assist with monitoring resources and capacity statewide.”

Murphy said to assist the health care systems as they reprioritize non-emergent procedures and surgeries, ISDH would be extending prior authorizations for non-emergent procedures that are postponed due to capacity or staffing issues because of COVID-19 and directing insurers to enable hospitals to expedite the process of transporting patients out of hospital care to the next appropriate setting.

Murphy said “to support the ongoing efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19,” the ISDH would be issuing a COVID-19 control measure. “The measure will allow for schools and day cares to modify quarantine provisions if the facilities adhere to the following orders and guidance set by ISDH,” said Murphy.

Schools and daycares that

have mask requirements that are consistently followed throughout the day do not have to quarantine students, teachers and staff who are close contacts and aren’t showing symptoms of COVID-19. Schools and daycares must continue to contact trace by notifying their local health department as well as parents, teachers and staff who were in close contact. The executive order will expire on Sept. 30.

### Statewide figures

On Friday, the ISDH announced that 5,079 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at state and private laboratories. That brings to 873,480 the number of Indiana residents now known to have had the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day’s dashboard.

To date, 14,121 Hoosiers are confirmed to have died from COVID-19, which includes 20 newly reported deaths. Another 449 probable deaths have been reported to date based on clinical diagnoses in patients for whom no positive test is on record.

A total of 3,960,242 unique individuals have been tested in Indiana, up from 3,946,603 on Thursday. A total of 12,450,587 tests, including repeat tests for unique individuals, have been reported to the state Department of Health since Feb. 26, 2020.

To find testing sites around the state, visit [www.coronavirus.in.gov](http://www.coronavirus.in.gov) and click on the COVID-19 testing information link. Clinics are being added regularly around the state.

Hoosiers age 12 and older can receive a COVID-19 vaccine; individuals younger than age 18 are eligible for the Pfizer vaccine only. To find a vaccination clinic near you, visit <https://ourshot.in.gov> or call 211 if you do not have access to a computer or require assistance. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are accepted at most sites.

The ISDH is deploying mobile clinics to the following counties this week to provide testing and vaccinations: Allen, Brown, Clark, Elkhart, Harrison, Howard, Marion, Marshall, Monroe, Putnam and Spencer.

Many of the locations also will include free COVID-19 testing. Hoosiers in the ZIP codes in which the clinics are located will receive a text message or email informing them of the locations and services offered.

As of Friday, a total of 6,259,795 doses have been administered in Indiana. This includes 3,140,793 first doses and 3,119,002 individuals who are fully vaccinated. The fully vaccinated number represents individuals who have received a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines and those who received the single Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

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### Asbury Country Church

On Sunday, Sept. 5 at Asbury Country Church, 1998 E. 250 South, the Sunday school will be at 9:30 a.m., and the worship service at 10:30 a.m. The worship and music leader will be Amy Bullick and the piano will be by Roger Marine. The Morning Message will be, “Pecking Order” by Pastor Mike Bullick.

### Bachelor Creek Church of Christ

Online services are available by visiting [www.bachelorcreek.com](http://www.bachelorcreek.com).

### Christ United Methodist Church

On Sunday, Sept. 5, worship service at Christ United Methodist Church, 477 N. Wabash St., is at 10 a.m. Pastor Tom Richards’ scripture reading will be John 1:6-13 with a sermon reflection titled, “The Witness.” Worship service will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/](http://www.facebook.com/ChristUMCWabash/).

### Christian Heritage Church

Streaming services online and broadcast on 95.9 FM.

### College Corner Brethren Church

College Corner Brethren Church is now holding in-person services at 10:15 a.m. Sundays at 8996 S. 500 West, with Pastor Solomon David. The sermons are still on YouTube and Facebook.

### Common Ground Prayer House

The Common Ground Prayer House will be open to the public from 8 to 10 a.m. Mondays, except holidays, at 78 W. Hill St. For more information, call Jennifer Mahan at 260-571-8063, Shirley Neale at 260-591-0047 or Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072.

### Dora Christian Church

On Sunday, Aug. 5 at Dora Christian Church in Lagro, the minister will be Mark Wisniewski, the song leader will be Olman Sanchez, the pianist will be Sherry Brock and the organist will be Kristy Good. We have two in-person Sunday services, one at 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school classes for all ages from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. The message for both services will be, “What Should Christians Wear to Church?” from Colossians, Chapter 3. The Communion Table will be served by John Troyer and Bill Miller. Children’s Church is provided for the 10:30 a.m. service and will be attended by Randy & Linda Good. The recorded sermon will also be avail-

able for viewing on the Dora Christian Church Facebook group the morning of Sunday, Sept. 5.

### LaFontaine Christian Church

The LaFontaine Christian Church pre-records the sermon which is then available for all to view at [www.lafontainechristian.com](http://www.lafontainechristian.com) under the sermons tab, stated Pastor Brad Wright.

### LaFontaine United Methodist Church

Pastor Susan Shambaugh says that her LaFontaine United Methodist Church is showing replay videos on their Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/LaFontaine-United-Methodist-Church>. In-person services start at 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

### Lincolnville United Methodist Church

Lincolnville United Methodist, 5848 E. 500 South, is going back to one worship service. The worship service is at 10 a.m., and Sunday school is at 9 a.m. For more information, email [pastorjohn1954@gmail.com](mailto:pastorjohn1954@gmail.com) or call 260-563-1406.

### Living Faith Lutheran Church

Welcome to our in-person worship service at 10:10 a.m. Sundays at Living Faith Lutheran Church, 242 S. Huntington St. Bible study and Sunday school are at 9 a.m. for all ages. The sanctuary is arranged for social distancing. Masks are encouraged and available. Online services are at 10:10 a.m., with pre-service music at 10 a.m. For virtual services and more information, visit [www.livingfaithwabash.org](http://www.livingfaithwabash.org).

### Manchester Church of the Brethren

Pastor Kurt Borgmann from the Manchester Church of the Brethren stated they will hold a live-stream service at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday by visiting [www.manchestercob.net](http://www.manchestercob.net). Scroll to the bottom of the home page and click on the black button that says, “Manchester CoB YouTube Channel.” After the service is finished, one may access a video copy of the live stream in the same way. Another way to access the live stream or posted video: go to YouTube, search “Manchester Church of the Brethren,” and click on the circle profile.

### North Manchester Congregational Christian Church

Pastor Sebrina Cline stated live streaming begins on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sundays for the North Manchester Congre-

gational Christian Church, and lasts 30 to 40 minutes.

### North Manchester Missionary Church

The North Manchester Missionary Church is streaming live on their Facebook page at 10 a.m. Sunday. The video is then placed on their webpage, which can be viewed by visiting [NMMC1.com](http://NMMC1.com).

### Olive Branch Church of God

The Olive Branch Church of God live-streams Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. Find it through Facebook, by searching Olive Branch Church, or by visiting [www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch](http://www.facebook.com/myolivebranchchurch) or through the church website [www.olivebranch.church](http://www.olivebranch.church). Click “Live Streaming” at the top, then click the series icon (lion head).

### Richvalley United Methodist Church

Worship at Richvalley United Methodist Church begins at 9:30 a.m. Sundays at 290 N. Jefferson St. Sunday school begins at 10:45 a.m. For more information, call 260-563-1033 or email [rvumc@hotmail.com](mailto:rvumc@hotmail.com).

### Southside Free Will Baptist

Streaming on their Facebook page.

### Sweetwater Assembly of God

Streaming services online using the normal service schedule.

### Urbana Yoke Parish

Rev. Larry Wade of the Urbana Yoke Parish stated that his congregation posts Sunday services to [www.urbanayokeparish.com](http://www.urbanayokeparish.com). Go to the menu line at the top of the page and select “Worship Videos.” The most recent one will appear first. Sunday services are posted by noon every Tuesday.

### Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome to Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 110 West Hill St. In-person worship is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the sanctuary or via live-stream for the church at home on the Wabash Christian YouTube Channel. Access is also available on our Facebook page and website [wabashchristian.org](http://wabashchristian.org). Stephen Eberhard is the Minister.

### Wabash Church of the Brethren

At Wabash Church of the Brethren, 645 Bond St., services will be at 10:30 a.m. Sunday in person. Masks are recommended. There is no

children’s church or Sunday school at this time. Masks are recommended. On Sunday, Sept. 5, the sermon will be, “What is Love?” based on 1 Corinthians 13. On Sunday, Sept. 12, the sermon will be, “Take up your cross” based on Mark 8:27-38. On Sunday, Sept. 19, the sermon will be, “Anointing” based on James 5:13-20. On Sunday, Sept. 26, Pastor Doug Beal will be off, with plans to be determined. You may reach Pastor Doug Veal at the church office, 260-563-5291, on his cell phone at 260-225-3014, or by email at [pastordoug@wabashcob.org](mailto:pastordoug@wabashcob.org).

### Wabash Church of the Nazarene

Pastor Kirk Johnson, of the Wabash Church of the Nazarene, stated their service is available on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Find it by going to YouTube and search for “Wabash Nazarene” or search Facebook for the Wabash Church of the Nazarene. Another option is to visit [www.wabashnaz.com](http://www.wabashnaz.com), look for the home page, and find “Latest Sermon.”

### Wabash First Church of God

In the 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 5 worship service at Wabash First Church of God, 525 N. Miami St., Pastor Robb Rensberger will speak on “The Call for Making Disciples – From Above.” The sermon may also be seen on YouTube under Wabash 1st Church and heard at 11 a.m. Sundays on 105.9 FM. Sunday Servants are Dorothy Carpenter, chairperson; Sherry Whitt, worship; Rose Sands and Nancy Kolb, special music; Nancy Kolb, organ; and Rose Sands, piano.

### Walk by Faith Community Church

At the Walk by Faith Community Church in Roann, Sunday school begins at 9 a.m. and the worship and children’s worship services begin at 10 a.m. The Walk by Faith Youth ministry meets at 5 p.m. every Sunday. “All are welcomed and we would love for you to join us,” said Pastor Judy Tyner. For more information, visit [www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com](http://www.walkbyfaithcommunitychurch.com).

### Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash

Pastor Jerry Gauthier says that the Zion Lutheran Church of Wabash is streaming through their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/zionwabash](http://www.facebook.com/zionwabash) at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

*Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to [news@wabashplainedealer.com](mailto:news@wabashplainedealer.com) no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.*



# Son insists couple has obligation toward grandkids’ tuition

**DEAR ABBY:** What financial responsibility do parents have to their adult children and grandchildren? We are a blended family of 35 years. It is the second marriage for my wife and me, with four children and eight grandchildren. One child insists it is our responsibility to assist with the cost of educating his two children. Over the last 15 years, we have gifted him and his family well over \$50,000. We are middle income, and trying to stay solvent enough to assure we are able to meet any unforeseen expenses of senior living while enjoying local arts and educational opportunities in our retirement. What is customary in other blended families? – Wondering In The South

**DEAR WONDERING:** Your son is off base, and you have every right to refuse this demand. The cost of raising and educating children is something that should have been taken into consideration before those children were born. This responsibility rests with him and his spouse, not with you, and I hope you will resist the impulse to alter your lifestyle to placate him. If you do otherwise, you may wind up in financial trouble.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and his sister had a huge falling out several months ago. It was a long time coming, and resulted in the two of them no longer speaking.

This week, we received an invitation from my sister-in-law for a family celebration. It was followed by an email to my husband saying that if he wants to come to the event, he first needs to “make it right by her and her family” and apologize for his behavior. My husband doesn’t feel he did anything wrong and doesn’t particularly want to go. He is now feeling manipulated to acquiesce because refusing an invitation to a family event will upset his mother. What should he do? – Watching From The Sidelines

**DEAR WATCHING:** Your husband is right. His sister is attempting to manipulate him. He should call or visit his mother, explain the entire situation to her, and warn her in advance that he won’t be going.

**DEAR ABBY:** What advice can you give me to get my ex-girlfriend back after I hurt her and broke her trust? It has been four months, and I have given her space and tried to improve myself. We work together, so seeing her every day and not talking to her is hard. I would like to fix things between us, but she’s very stubborn. We talked every day and every minute of the day, and I lost my best friend and my partner whom I love so much. – Her Former Girlfriend In Kentucky

**DEAR FORMER G.F.:** You obviously hurt your partner deeply when you broke her trust. If you haven’t already told her how sorry you are and that you love her, you should. Then ask what you can do to rebuild her trust. If she still refuses to communicate after that, you may have to accept that the damage done to your relationship is not repairable and start looking for another job.

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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6	4	7	8	5	2	1	9	3
7	8	5	3	1	9	4	6	2
3	6	1	4	2	5	7	8	9
2	9	4	6	8	7	3	1	5

## JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

LISAA

LEOHL

CERNAP

BYIULS

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Yesterday's Jumbles: FLOOR BOTCH INFUSE THIRTY Answer: He'd been addicted to online sports gambling, but after he quit, he was — "BETTOR" OFF

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

You're doing a great job, honey!

I wish you were doing all the work! I'm exhausted!

You're almost done. Keep pushing!

FOR MOM, HAVING A BABY INVOLVES A LOT OF ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Monday)

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

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“Mommy! I swallowed a watermelon seed — will a watermelon grow inside me?”

Bil and Jeff Keane

## BEETLE BAILEY

I'M MAKING A SCRAPBOOK ABOUT MY LIFE AT CAMP SWAMPY FOR MY MOM

IT'LL GIVE HER A REAL SENSE OF WHAT IT'S LIKE HERE

YOU SHOULD PASTE IN A DIRTY SOCK AND A FEW DEAD FLIES

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## BLONDIE

WHEN IS DADDY GOING TO FIRE UP THE GRILL?

HE SAID HE NEEDED A MOMENT FIRST

AFTER ALL, IT IS THE OFFICIAL LAST GRILLING WEEKEND OF SUMMER

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## HI & LOIS

THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS TO DO AROUND HERE.

THE LIST IS ENDLESS.

THIS ISN'T THE END OF IT?

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## BC

KIDNEY STONE SURVIVORS GROUP

YEAH... THAT'S PRETTY MUCH IT.

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## WIZARD OF ID

YOUR ZOOM SESSION IS STARTING

JONNY, ARE YOU IN THE BATHROOM AGAIN?

GROSS

JONNY!

SORRY

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## DILBERT

WE'RE ASSIGNING YOU A WORKPLACE NEMESIS TO MAKE YOUR JOB A SENSELESS NIGHTMARE.

I THOUGHT THAT HAPPENED ORGANICALLY.

YOU THOUGHT IT WAS A COINCIDENCE THAT EVERY EMPLOYEE HAS A NEMESIS?

NOW I FEEL DUMB.

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## GARFIELD

...AND WHEN THE MOON IS FULL, I TURN INTO A WEREWOLF AND EAT PEOPLE

...UH-HUH

SO TELL ME A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF

FIRST DATES ARE SO AWKWARD

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## FORT KNOX

I'VE GIVEN UP ON UFOs, JOEY.

I'M SORRY TO HEAR THAT MOM.

ME TOO... BUT I'VE DECIDED TO FOCUS ON LIFE ON EARTH.

THAT'S A LOT HEALTHIER.

YEAH, SO I WENT AHEAD AND BOOKED A TRIP.

WHERE TO?

LOCH NESS.

WNOA MESSIE

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## PICKLES

WHAT?

WHAT? I DIDN'T HEAR YOU.

I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING.

WHAT?

I SAID I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING!!

WHY NOT?

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# Jesus knew a laboring man needs rest and recreation

**Q:** I would like to see our nation repent this Labor Day. It is embarrassing to see how many Americans who are a ble-bod-ied refuse to work. Surely, this is going to end up in a disaster. – R.W.

**A:** Jesus had a great deal to say about labor (work). He was interested in common people. The Bible says, “And the common people heard Him gladly” (Mark 12:37). In fact, Jesus Himself was a laboring man. He was a carpenter. We seldom think of Jesus as a young boy learning such a trade.

We forget that Jesus was human as well as divine. He had calluses on His hands. If the chisel slipped and cut His fingers, His blood would be red and warm like ours. He knew what it meant to work long hours, to come in at night

tired and weary. That is one of the reasons why Jesus could say, “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28).

Jesus knew that a laboring man needs rest and recreation. Americans celebrate Labor Day – a day in which the wheels of industry stop and the entire nation is reminded of the tremendous contribution that labor contributes to the American way of life.

But the greatest work that

Jesus did was not in the carpenter’s shop, but the work that was accomplished in three dark hours on the cross at Calvary. There, He entered a labor that no other person in all the universe has ever known. His primary purpose in coming to Earth was to die in our place. There is no other way to salvation. Before the conscience can be quieted, before we can start life afresh, we must receive this great work done for us by the One who loves us most. May we always be at work.

## CELEBRITY CIPHER by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ E H W K Y X M A C S G H X C S F L D M E W S Y  
K Y T R D W S Y ... R S K C S S G H K I I A  
X W U D C M K Y M K Y T Y S S T D Y S  
K Y D M E S C . ” — L S A D Y P S O Y D R I S F

Previous Solution: “How can we expect something positive to come from all the negative that we put into this world?” — Gloria Estefan

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# Church Directory

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD


**Gospel Light Assembly of God**, 347 Southwood Drive. Pastor Neil Jeffrey. Sunday School 9:45am (all ages). Morning worship service 10:30am. Evening service 6pm. Wednesday midweek service 7pm; Kids' Korral Wednesday 7pm. Youth meeting 7pm (ages 12-19).

 **Sweetwater Assembly of God**, 2551 SR 114 E, North Manchester. (260) 982-6179. Sunday worship 9am & 10:45am. Sunday evening outreach groups & youth ministry 5-7pm. Wednesday 6:30pm adult/teen bible study, 6:30pm Kidz Zone (K thru 6th grade). All worship services streaming online and on our Facebook page.


## BAPTIST

**Emmanuel Free Will Baptist**, 129 Southwood Drive. Pastor Terry Hinds. (260) 563-3009. Sunday School 9:30am. Sunday Worship 10:30am & 6pm; Children's Church 10:30am. Wednesday morning prayer service 11am. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm. Transportation available. Sunday worship services streaming on our Facebook page

**Southside Free Will Baptist**, 360 Columbus Street. Pastor Tim Webb. Sunday School 10am. Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6pm. Sunday worship services streaming online

 **Wabash Free Will Baptist Church**, 1056 Erie Street. Wednesday evening prayer meeting 6pm. Sunday School 10am, Church 11am; evening service 6pm.

## CATHOLIC

 **St. Bernard Catholic Church**, corner of Cass & Sinclair. Father Levi Nkwocha. Masses: Saturday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.; Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 a.m. Face masks and social distancing required.


 **St. Patrick's Catholic Church**, Main Street in Lagro, Welcomes You Back! New Service Time 11:00 AM Sunday, October 4, Sunday November 1 and Sunday December 6. In keeping with COVID-19 State Rules, please wear a mask and socially distance. Let Us Worship Together.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Christian Heritage Church**, 2776 River Road. (260) 569-7710. Pastor Tim Prater. Sunday 8:30am. Radio Ministry 95.9 WKUZ. Sunday School 9:30am. Morning Service 10:30am. Sunday evening 6pm. Wednesday evening 6pm. Online services on Sunday at 10:30 am and Wednesday 6:00 pm

**LaFontaine Christian Church**, 202 Bruner Pike, LaFontaine. Minister Brad Wright. (765) 981-2101. Worship 9am & 10:30am, Nursery & Jr. Church available. Online Services available on our website


## CHURCH OF CHRIST

 **Church of Christ**, Wabash (corner of N Wabash Street and US 24). Evangelist Josh Fennell (260) 563-8234. Sunday School 9am. Morning Worship 10am. Evening Worship 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Wednesday Kid's Jam 7pm.

## CHURCH OF GOD

**First Church of God**, 525 N. Miami Street. Pastor Robert Rensberger. (260) 563-5346. Sunday School at 9:15am, for all ages. Continental breakfast at 10am. Sunday Morning Worship is at 10:30am. Nursery care is available during worship service. Stair lift available.


## CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

 **Wabash Church of the Brethren**, 645 Bond Street (off Falls Avenue). Pastor Doug Veal. (260) 563-5291. Wherever you are on life's journey, come join us as we continue the work of Jesus... Peacefully, Simply, Together. Sunday School 9:30am. Worship 10:30am. Children's church and nursery available during worship. Online Service through website or conference call.

## DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

 **Wabash Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)**, 110 W. Hill St., Wabash; Stephen Eberhard, Minister; phone: 260-563-4179; website: [www.wabashchristian.org](http://www.wabashchristian.org). Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Nursery provided. Find us on YouTube and Facebook.

## FRIENDS CHURCH

 **Wabash Friends Church**, 3563 S State Rd 13. (260) 563-8452. Lead Pastor, Brandon Eaton. Join us for in-person worship at 8:30AM or 10:45AM, or via live-stream on Facebook at 10:45AM. Children's programming available infants - 6th grade. Sunday school for all ages at 9:45AM. Youth (7th-12th) Sunday evenings at 6:30PM.

## INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

 **Bachelor Creek Church of Christ**, 4 miles north of Wabash on St. Rd. 15; phone 260-563-4109; website: [bachelorcreek.com](http://bachelorcreek.com); Worship Minister - Michael Eaton, Student Minister - David Diener, Children's Minister - Tyler Leland, Middle School & Small Groups Minister - Nate Plyler, Next Steps & Outreach Minister - Ryan Keim, Women's Director- Taylor McFarland, Early Childhood Director - Janet Legesse. Worship 9:15 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.


## LUTHERAN

**Living Faith Lutheran Church (NALC)**, 242 S. Huntington St., Wabash, IN. Worship begins each Sunday morning at 10:10 a.m. with Bible study classes for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for worship. Worship Services live streamed on our website. [www.LivingFaithWabash.org](http://www.LivingFaithWabash.org)

**Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA)**, 1500 S Wabash Street. Pastor Dr. Kent Young. (260) 563-6626. We worship our Lord each Sunday at 9:30am with Gospel-based message and Holy Communion. There is a time of fellowship and refreshments immediately following the service. We are handicap accessible and everyone is welcome at Trinity! [tlcwabash@gmail.com](mailto:tlcwabash@gmail.com).

## UNITED METHODIST

 **North Manchester United Methodist Church**, 306 E Second Street, North Manchester. Pastor Steve Bahrt. (260) 982-7537. Worship Service 8:15am & 10:30am. Coffee Fellowship 9am. Sunday School 9:30am.

 **Richvalley United Methodist Church**, 290 N Jefferson. (260) 563-1033. Pastor Jack Suits. Worship service begins at 9:30am. Nursery available. Sunday School begins at 10:45am for all age.




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Daily Devotional Reading						
Luke 12:41-59	Luke 13:1-17	Luke 13:18-30	Luke 14:1-14	Luke 14:15-35	Luke 16:1-13	Luke 16:14-31

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